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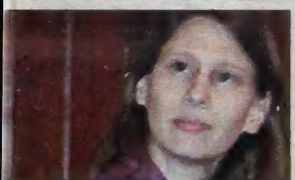
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Son saves mother from burning house

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

At first Jason Redner thought his alarm clock was ringing but gradually, through the haze of an early morning sleep, he realized that his alarm clock didn't usually sound this shrill.

The second indication that this was not going to be a typical morning was the smoke that filled his lungs when he tried to stand up.

His house was on fire.

On Saturday morning around four o'clock, the 31-year-old man went into panic mode.

Unable to get out the basement bedroom door of the family's home on Hwy. 118 in Maple Lake, he had to escape through a window. All he could think of was his mother, Carolyn, asleep upstairs in her room.

Somehow — he's not sure if he broke the window or slid it open — he got outside. He wasn't wearing a coat or boots and of course he didn't have his set of house keys with him. But it turns out that the sound of him kicking in the door woke his mother up. She had slept through the smoke alarm.

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Matt James/TIMES

Mush, mush!

She might not quite be nine years old, but Maria Perrin of Gelert is already in training for this weekend's Haliburton Dogsled Derby. Some of the dogs she races with were rescued from Hurricane Katrina. See details on pages 14 and 15.

Canadian Tire lays out its plans

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Canadian Tire's long-awaited arrival in Minden is one step closer now that the site plans have been delivered for public viewing

to the municipal office.

The thick document, made up mostly of maps of the proposed Highway 35 department store, can be viewed at the planning office and has been sent to department heads for review.

"Canadian Tire expects to have the former Brown Owl restaurant/gas bar removed before the end of February 2008 at the latest," a letter from Zelinka Priamo Ltd., dated December 20, reads.

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Winter blahs? In Minden it's winter fun

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Open your datebook and get ready to fill it. Minden has a lot of events lined up for the next couple of months focused on family that director of community services, Rick Cox, wants everyone to know about and give him feedback on.

Winterfest

The Minden Hills Winterfest committee has been working diligently on three days of family activities – most free – scheduled for February 16, 17, and 18 (February 18 is the new government holiday, "Family Day").

The committee has planned Frisbee golf, outdoor skating, the longest golf drive competition, mini-golf, minnow races, a chili cook-off, snopitch (slow-pitch in the snow), bubblegum blowing contest, sleigh wagon rides, tobogganing, a photo contest and stories by a bonfire.

Cox is hoping to book a junior hockey game for the weekend, too.

March Break

Minden Hills March Break School of Rock is coming to the community centre for kids ages 13, 14 and 15.

Eldon Yourkin from Straight Edge Music will be teaching participants how to build their own electric guitars. Ten participants are needed to run the event and the cost is \$200, which includes two days of fully guided instructions on putting a guitar together.

Kids get a guitar kit with all components, guitar strap, picks, a 10-foot patch cord and lunch on both days plus snacks. At the end of the two days every participant will



Last year's Family Fun Night has been expanded to take advantage of the new Family Day on February 18.

have her or his very own, fully functional electric guitar. Participants must register by February 15 with a \$100 deposit.

Feedback wanted

Cox says he's looking for ideas and volunteers to create and plan more events for Minden. Some of the ideas he's looking at right now include:

- The Winterfest committee is working on events for Easter, Canada Day and Hallowe'en and could always

use more help.

- Movie nights at the community centre.
- Broom ball
- People with skills who could teach workshops to others.

If there's an event you'd like to see happen in Minden, a skill you can share with others or some time to volunteer, Rick Cox would love to hear from you. He can be reached at rcox@mindenhills.ca, or by calling 286-1260 extension 220.

Newspapers not affected by Quebecor World's troubles

The financial difficulties facing Quebecor World will have no impact on the viability of Quebecor Media, which owns the *Minden Times* and *Haliburton County Echo*.

A press release from the company on Monday says, "Quebecor World and Quebecor Media are two separate entities which means that Quebecor Media will not be affected by Quebecor World's filing [for court protection from its creditors.] It is business as usual.

"Quebecor Media is a strong company and the company will continue to grow and develop as new opportunities arise."

On Monday, Quebecor World and some of its U.S. subsidiaries filed to seek protection from creditors while the company develops a plan to restructure its financial and business affairs. "The intention is to develop a plan that will be in the long-term interests of customers, suppliers, employees, creditors and the company itself."

Last summer Quebecor Media purchased Osprey Media, which owned dozens of weekly and daily newspapers, including the *Times* and *Echo*.

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Is there a doctor in the country?

Doctor shortage is felt across Canada; Family Health Team is trying to fill the breach

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The shortage of doctors will get worse before it gets better fears Jim Mitchell, chair of the health professionals recruitment committee for Haliburton County.

At the sixth community forum in Minden at the United Church on Wednesday night, Mitchell told a group of residents that the numbers of doctors graduating cannot make up for the number that are retiring and Minden will feel the effects of that as the rest of Canada does.

"More than 2,500 Ontario doctors are 65 and older," Mitchell said, adding that 4,000 are expected to retire in the next two years.

"Most physicians are working fewer hours than their predecessors," he said. "Women, because of their other family duties, tend to spend fewer hours working."

These factors will mean that when four doctors retire, five will need to be hired, making the situation even more difficult.

Beth Archibald, executive director of the county's Family Health Team, also presented at the forum, but was able to deliver some good news.

Archibald works with Mitchell on recruitment and was part of the process that established the Family Health Team in Haliburton early on. She said that the team approach creates opportunities for residents to gain a holistic view of their health, highlighting the addition of two new nurses, Carol Browne and Connie Wood.

"It's good news for Minden. More services and better health care, which is what we're aiming for," she said.

Wood helps people develop healthy lifestyles, advising on issues such as diabetes, osteoporosis, smoking and



While Minden residents are still coping with having only one full-time doctor, efforts are being made to improve health care opportunities in the village by Janice Hardy from Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Jim Mitchell of the health professionals recruitment committee and Beth Archibald of the Family Health Team.

exercise. Browne specializes in seniors' concerns such as preventing falls and testing and strengthening memory skills.

"We're very grateful for Carol coming to our team. We have almost 25 per cent of our community 65 years and older. Seniors have more difficulty accessing services and staying healthy for a variety of reasons," Archibald said.

The Family Health Team, which is based in Haliburton village, has nine physicians and two nurse practitioners. There is a waiting list for all of them, but Archibald said the nurse practitioners – who can diagnose and order tests – are hoping to take on patients to eliminate that list altogether.

They are also working on getting doctors to the Minden clinic so that Minden patients don't always have to go to Haliburton to see a doctor.

Seniors' health care was front and centre for Haliburton Highlands Health Services acting CEO Janice Hardy, who focused her speech on the Hyland Crest nursing home.

"[Hyland Crest] is really where my heart is right now,"

she said. "[The staff] feel real ownership of the home. When you have bad weather, Hyland Crest staff will make it there."

There is an extensive waiting list to get into the home, which is currently recruiting registered nurses.

Hardy also spoke of other health-care issues in Minden, including budgeting, retention of staff and the supportive housing program. "Managing a hospital is not easy. Our costs go up, but our budgets don't go up to meet the cost."

The audience was appreciative of the position that the speakers were in, although one ventured to question why Minden's MP Barry Devolin and MPP Laurie Scott weren't present at the forum.

Otherwise, most questions were in the form of suggestions for doctor recruitment, which Mitchell took under advisement.

The next community forum will be on March 26. Fay Martin will speak on housing, Michael Faye on the social determinants of health and Rosie Kadwell on the Food Net program.

Municipalities try to coordinate their garbage rules

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Coordinated recycling policies and similar tipping fees would help residents understand landfill practices in the county better, the waste management committee determined at its last meeting on January 14.

The group has standardized recycling guides in the works, to be posted at every landfill and distributed to residents. They also are examining each other's tipping fees to see if they could have the same fees across the board.

Some at the meeting were concerned that although all of the municipalities use the same contractor, they don't all recycle the same things.

Jim Wilson, the chief administrative officer for the

county, said that while recycling practices are being sorted out, at least residents can be told about the similarities that already exist.

"What are some things that we can be sure are taken out from the waste stream to extend the life that we've got?" Wilson said.

Although each municipality handles its own waste, the county will be paying for the creation of the recycling guide.

Tipping fees were also compared at the meeting. While some fees are the same across municipalities, there are some substantial differences, too.

For example, for bulk refuse Dysart et al charges \$10 a cubic yard, Highlands East charges \$20 and the other two municipalities don't charge at all.

For truck tires, Dysart charges \$20 and Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East charge \$12. Dysart is the only municipality that has a specific process for e-waste, like TVs and computers, and charges \$10 for TVs and monitors and \$5 for everything else.

"It seems that there is a discrepancy on what's being charged for. We in the township of Minden Hills have noticed for certain sized tires and we don't charge for brush," said Bob Romberg, environmental and property operations manager for Minden Hills.

Peter Oyler, a councillor in Minden, said he hoped the committee could agree on fees by the May 24 weekend when an influx of people (and waste) would be coming to the county.

Keep our library open, Dorset urges county

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Overwhelming community support for Dorset's library brought over 80 people to the Frost Centre on January 14 for the Algonquin Cooperative Development Corporation's library meeting.

Although the forum was officially for all four municipalities, most who attended were from the Dorset area and adamant that their library should remain open.

"We were mainly looking at saving our Dorset library because that is where most of us are from. We realized that all small communities need a library," said Jan McDonald.

In August, Haliburton County voted to fund only one library per municipality in order to enhance services to bring the libraries up to provincial standards. Dysart et al and Minden Hills both only have one library, so Highlands East (which has four) and Algonquin Highlands (which has two) will be dealing with the cuts. The libraries must be closed by January of next year.

Since council voted for the closures, residents of the two municipalities that will lose libraries have expressed strong concern that closing libraries will hurt more than help the communities they serve.

No public meetings were held about the library closures at the time of the decision, so the Algonquin Cooperative scheduled its own. Since that time, county council planned two more meetings to inform residents about its plans and the rationale behind its decision. They are scheduled for January 29 in Highlands East and January 30 in Algonquin Highlands.

The Frost Centre meeting was attended by most of the county councillors with the exception of Jim McMahon of Minden Hills and Bill Davis of Dysart et al.

The meeting was an awkward mix of competing interests. McDonald tried to educate attendees on council's decision to close libraries while maintaining that that decision was wrong and libraries should remain open. At the same time, she recognized that the decision had already been made and was lobbying for Dorset's library to be chosen to stay open leaving Stanhope's to close.

"Our cause is really on two sides. One, all small communities should have their libraries because of the importance of libraries in all of our lives, but we're also fighting really hard to keep our Dorset library as well. So we've got a dual cause and we need to be fair and up front around that," McDonald said.

Rob Walisser, a father of two and Dorset's most vocal critic of the library closures, spoke at length about why his community's library should stay open.

"The Ontario government has put some regulations together to help guide decision makers in making decisions. These regulations do state that you build libraries in existing villages and town clusters. Not isolated and not out in the country," he said referring to Stanhope's location several kilometres out side of Carnarvon.

"In addition to this, these guidelines state that people residing in the community are required to drive less than 30 minutes or 20 kilometres to get to their nearest library.

Stanhope is close enough to Minden to satisfy this requirement if the Stanhope library closes, but Dorset is not close enough to Stanhope to meet this requirement if the Dorset library closes," Walisser said.

He also noted that Dorset was a destination town, where people can go for shopping, to buy gas or to the post office. Stanhope, he argued, had none of that.

A survey was distributed to the group asking for input on which library should be chosen to remain. The results will be brought to the Algonquin Highlands public library forum at the Frost Centre on January 30 at 6 p.m.

Although there were some audience members who spoke in favour of the Dorset library, most spoke in favour of keeping all libraries open.

"I'll tell you, this library in Dorset and the library in Stanhope, and the library in Minden don't come close to the John Robarts library at the University of Toronto. I get that. But you know what? To Emily and Andrew and Jason and the kids that use [the Dorset library], they don't know that. I'll bet they don't think it's substandard," one audience member said.

"Dorset is a wonderful community and it's small. Do we need a huge library? No. Does Stanhope need a huge library? No," said McDonald, with the audience shouting "no" along with her.

Cheryl Murdoch, chair of the library board that made the initial recommendation to centralize each municipality's libraries, responded to some of the questions that came up by restating that county council made the decision to make libraries better.

"This is not a cost-cutting thing. I understand where you're coming from, but it was never county council's intent to take away; it was county council's intent to give," said Murdoch, who is also deputy-reeve of Minden Hills and sits on county council.

"Dorset is a wonderful community and it's small. Do we need a large library? No."

JAN McDONALD

Cycling coalition wants to ride into the future with you

The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition is in the process of completing a Master Plan for Cycling in Haliburton County – and is looking for input from the community. A series of open houses are planned to ensure that we can receive input from citizens representing all areas of Haliburton County.

The purpose of the Cycling Master Plan is to:

- Provide a framework for integrating bicycling into transportation planning in Haliburton County and
- Develop a strategy to promote and encourage more cycling

At the Open House you can:

- Learn about the information gathered to date
- Learn about the Vision, Goals and Objectives of the Master Plan for Cycling
- View the potential cycling routes network throughout Haliburton County – and provide comments and/or suggestions on additional routes
- Identify cycling "hot spots" and/or places of concern

- Complete a cycling survey
- Purchase a Cycling Routes map
- Provide your input to help direct the end result of the Master Plan for Cycling.

Cycling is an important part of an active and healthy community as well as an important draw for tourism. Haliburton County has great assets for cycling including an extensive and varied road network, clean air, beautiful scenery, interesting destinations and in many cases low vehicle traffic volume.

If you are not an active cyclist, it is still important to attend! The coalition would like to know what barriers you face that prohibit cycling and what would assist you in cycling more. The dates are as follows:

Monday, February 4

11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Haliburton Legion Schofield Room, Haliburton

Thursday February 7

11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Firefighters Hall - Stanhope

Tuesday February 12

11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Lloyd Watson Community Centre, Wilberforce

Thursday February 14

11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Pritchard House, Minden

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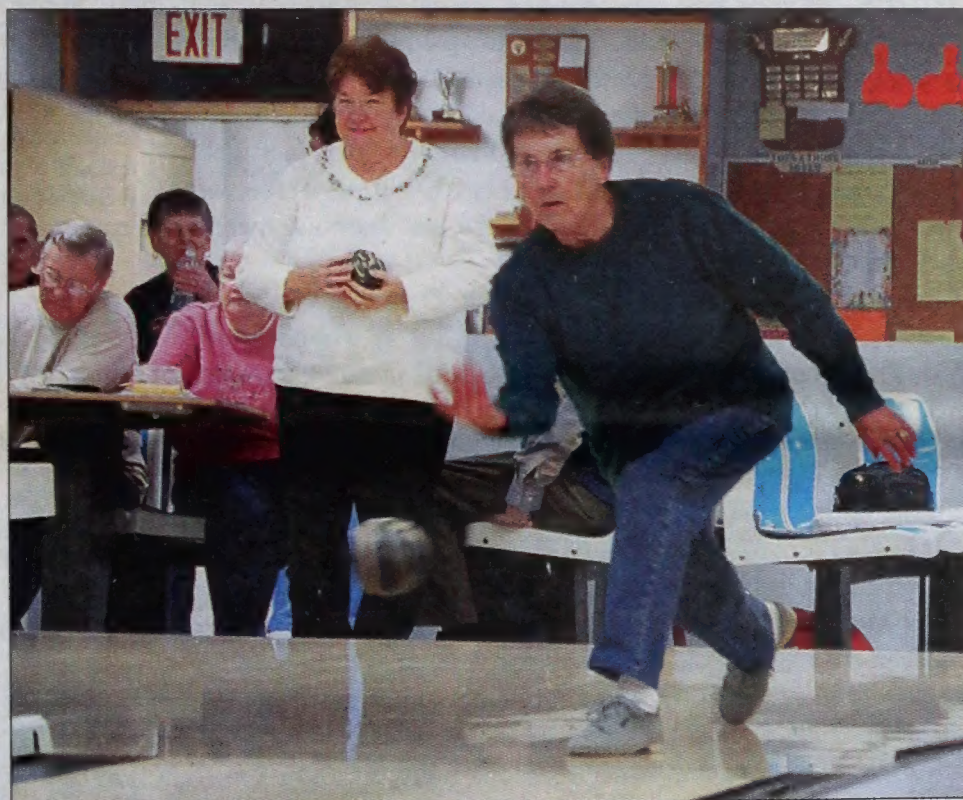
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Lyn Preston, left, chats with Alice Smallwood while Marie Johnson throws one down.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

True community

THE LIBRARY MEETING at the Frost Centre last week was not only a demonstration of support for keeping small libraries open, it was a demonstration of intense community solidarity.

The dining area was packed with Dorset residents eager to save their library from closing in the wake of the county's decision to close one of two libraries in the municipality.

Over 80 people came, not counting the children who played quietly at the other end of the room. Although the township office says they don't know how many people live in Dorset, it's safe to assume that 80 is a large percentage of its population. On Wednesday, over 50 people attended a meeting to renovate the local ball diamond with updated facilities.

Assuming the population of Dorset is 750 people in the winter (a generous estimation), six per cent came to the ball diamond meeting. Ten per cent attended the library meeting.

Imagine if a larger town had that kind of turnout to its events. Lindsay would have 1,700 people fighting for its library. Hamilton would have 50,000. Toronto, an amazing 248,000. If the community spirit of Dorset was captured in a city like Toronto, you'd have to arrange five separate meetings at the Skydome to accommodate everyone.

Now, of course, the Dorset meeting was nothing at that scale, but it did fill the dining room of the Frost Centre on a snowy winter night.

If councillors of Algonquin Highlands were looking for guidance on which community had the cohesion to support a library, now they've got it.

Jan McDonald, of the Algonquin Cooperative Development Corporation that ran the meeting, said that her cooperative sent invitations to everyone in Stanhope and Dorset. Dorset made up almost all of the attendees at the meeting.

Rob Walisser, one concerned resident, hung his argument for a library in Dorset on this sense of community. "Looking at it from the point of view of a father with young children, it is an important issue. We do want to have a library that our kids grow up using. I grew up in a small town that had a library that was open for three hours every Saturday afternoon, and I remember being there every Saturday," he said. "I want my children to have those kind of memories of going to the library as kids."

Walisser spoke of Dorset as a destination, with a post office, LCBO, groceries and restaurants. In other words, a community.

And not only is there the infrastructure of a community, the people who live there obviously feel attached to one another and their shared resources.

Dorset made a strong case for its library last week. It's questionable whether Stanhope could do the same. It shouldn't have to be this way: that a community has to rally to keep one of its most important assets is a really sad thing. But if there was ever a doubt, we now know that Dorset is willing to fight to keep its community together.

Jenn Watt

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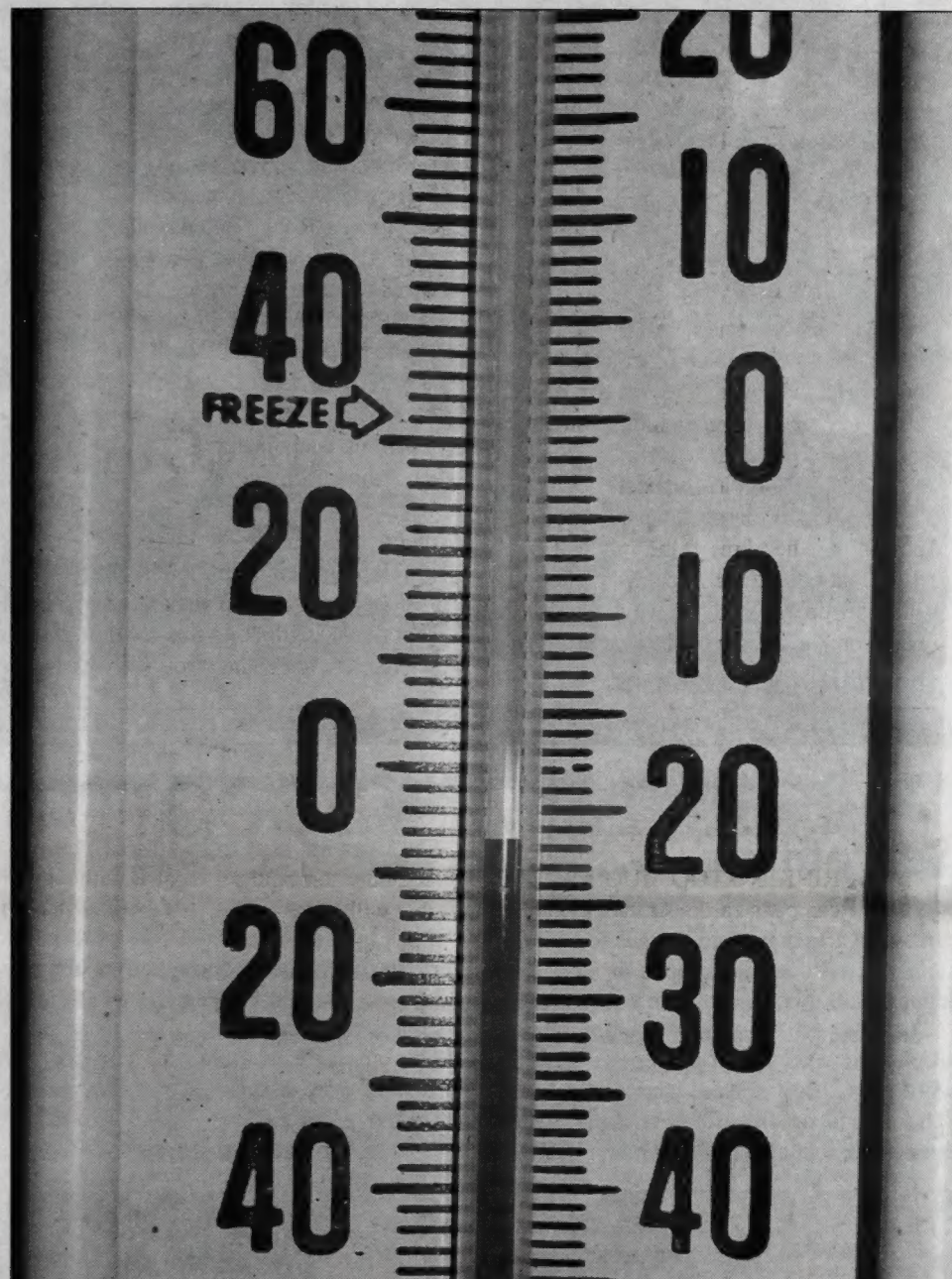
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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Thanks to 911 staff

Dear Editor,

We came up to our cottage on Horseshoe Lake for a few days between Christmas and New Year's and enjoyed the peace and quiet and beautiful snow. Each morning I went for a long walk with our dog and a friend who lives several cottages away. On our fourth morning, I slipped and fell on a normal looking part of the road, and knew immediately something was very wrong.

My friend ran to a nearby house, and they phoned 911, then brought a blanket to cover me. The ambulance arrived, and two very careful and skilled paramedics

put me on a board and lifted me into the ambulance. They apologized for not being able to administer painkillers to me right then.

After a quick trip to town, I was received at Minden Hospital. Even though it was Sunday, there was an X-ray technician there who took a series of X-rays, which the doctor looked at and determined that I needed surgery right away. Meanwhile, the nursing staff was so kind and helpful to me. After some phoning around, they found a hospital in Toronto that had an orthopedic surgeon available and space in their unit.

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Steroid free

WITH ALL THE NEWS of steroid use hitting the airways — among ball players and, most recently, rap artists such as Two Quarters — I feel it is about time we addressed the white elephant that's standing among us in this room. That's correct — I'd like to categorically deny that I have ever used steroids.

Okay, no one has officially accused me of it — yet. But it's only a matter of time before some one analyzes my super-human hook setting motion, the one that I use while ice fishing, and naturally jumps to that mistaken conclusion. Let's face it; we pro athletes are always targets of a desperate sports media. And wouldn't some rookie reporter love to make his bones breaking an ice-fishing steroids scandal?

You couldn't blame that person for suspecting it either. I mean the way that I drive that hook through panfish is nothing short of superhuman; the way I best a perch or sunfish in a duel to the death is patently unfair.

I guess it's easy to assume that someone as lithe and athletic as me is using these strength-enhancing drugs, especially if you've seen me in neoprene waders. That's why I need to be pro-active about this. That's why I need to put out my story now.

Just for the record, I've developed my hook set and jigging technique in the same sort of way Rocky Balboa did — on the mean streets. When I was an up and coming ice angler I trained with a mari-onette made of lead pipes every day of the off-season and I often pulled up anchors all day long during the summer. This, while other children were developing their brains and social graces.

Though it's hard to visualize in the head-shot that accompanies this column, if that photo were to extend through to my finger-

tips and toes, you'd see that there is hardly a square inch of me that isn't muscle upon muscle. Heck, it's a wonder I can bend my limbs enough to type this column. Even so, these accusations — which are sure to occur sometime soon — hurt.

I hear what people are saying about me when I walk off the ice. Well, to be honest, since my ears and are generally frozen or covered by a bulky hat I don't hear it completely. But I hear enough.

As I waddle off the ice after a day of sitting on a cold bucket and jigging, the talk usually goes something like, "There's that (mumble, mumble, mumble) Galea. Look at

the way he walks; he's probably got (mumble, mumble) 'roids."

You don't have to be a genius to figure that one out!



OUTSIDE CHANCE

Steve Galea

It's sad that people would assume that I'm cheating just because I am far stronger than any three jumbo perch.

It wasn't always like this. But a man builds himself up, drilling holes and eating cold sandwiches while sitting out on the ice.

Enough said. Consider this my official and unequivocal denial of the rumours. Hopefully, this will clear my good name before someone else mutters something else about me having "roids."

I probably shouldn't be surprised. After all, when people reach the pinnacle of their sport, as I have with my superhuman hook set, it's only natural for others with lesser hook sets to want to bring us Titans down a notch. And steroids provide the obvious answers when trying to explain sheer hook setting superiority.

Roids, yeah right. Talk about a pain in the butt.

*I can be reached at
TheOutdoorLife@aol.com.
Drop a note if the mood strikes.*

The news according to Chicken Little

DRINKING TOO MUCH WATER can be hazardous to your health. The Brown Dog Jiggs and I have always known that. Drink too much water and you either explode or wear yourself out pacing frantically in front of the door until somebody lets you out.

That's about as sophisticated as our analysis gets. Jiggs has no medical degree and is not likely to get one and the biological sciences have always been a mystery to me.

So neither of us is equipped to judge the analysis of government researchers who blame kidney damage in Walkerton, Ont., on water guzzling but we are alarmed anyway. We are frequently alarmed.

Drink too much water and the, ah, overflow washes dangerous amounts of protein out of your body. This news flies in the face of the conventional belief that keeping yourself awash will fix whatever ails you.

Soldiers in the field drink water until their urine runs clear and bright young things carry bottled tap water everywhere, just so they don't have to drink water from a tap.

Wait, there's another alarm. The inside of

coated water bottles is coated with a toxin that will make us sick. It's just one darned thing after another.

If the networks and large newspapers don't have a position on their organizational chart called Alarms Editor, they ought to. No front page or evening newscast is complete without the discovery that somewhere, somehow, the sky is about to fall on somebody.

If too much water doesn't do us in, too much Vitamin C will get us. As will a kiss on the lips by somebody who once ate peanut butter. The icecaps are melting and so are Wall Street and Obama.

Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear! No human head can possibly contain enough information to absorb, let alone understand, more than a small piece of the perils that are said to surround us.

A scientist smart enough to understand the kidneys of Walkerton has neither the time nor the background to figure out what

the presence of robins in Inuvik mean to the future of mankind.

And so the Walkerton researcher and all the rest of us sort through truckloads of bad news each day and keep bits and pieces that we don't really understand. In a Western world bereft of religion, despair becomes an act of faith.

News gatherers look for a story and once they find one, they search for discoveries and conclusions that fit their narrative. Bad news is good news for careers both journalistic and academic.

Bring me the news that a lifetime of research finds no connection between chipmunks and suburban neurosis and I'll send you out for a cup of coffee.

But conclude that children with chipmunks in their woodsheds are more likely to be bed-wetters and I'll get you a front-page headline and a government grant.

The chipmunk studies are imaginary, or



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

at least I hope they are. But there is nothing imaginary about a carefully-controlled study that seems to show that garlic mustard will form a monoculture displacing our hardwood forests was in the news again last month at county council.

Field observations that, over time, the natural vegetation rebounds and garlic mustard becomes just another part of the forest plant complex just got in the way of the narrative.

Alarm has become a major industry. Peanuts are banned from decent company because allergic reactions to them can be deadly, though food allergies of all kinds cause only about a dozen American deaths a year, far fewer, I suspect than, say, fat.

Medicating children has become a growth industry. Diagnose a toddler as manic-depressive and watch the money roll in; a recent PBS report counted a million U.S. children with bipolar disorder.

Cholesterol is bad and then it's good, sometimes, and our heads spin and the greatest threat to our health becomes not water or peanuts or garlic mustard, but alarm.

neilcampbell@xplornet.com

Politicians conspicuously absent from Minden health-care forum

Letter to the Editor:

We are recent newcomers to beautiful Haliburton. On Wednesday night we attended the community forum on health-care in Minden. We were extremely impressed by the community spirit obvious at this meeting and the dedication of the volunteers. With the topic of health care and more specifically the shortage of doc-

tors in many areas of our province, the question comes to my mind WHY there was no presence from the two bodies that control access to the medical profession.

The Ontario Medical Association is the self-regulating body of medical professionals, and last but not least, our provincial government, which is responsible for providing accessible health care. After all, this

problem is not something that just appeared recently. It has been with us for decades.

This forum was well publicized and was very well attended. Why did no one representing the OMA attend to give informed input? Where was the local MPP to explain why this doctor shortage is both persistent over decades and, as we were told at the

forum, will be getting worse before it gets better?

Where were representatives from the other political parties to give their views to provide solutions?

**Sincerely,
Karl Braeker
Minden**

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on January 31, 2008 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. File No. 07-06
Applicant - DANO: Lisa Marie
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 11, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8714, registered December 4, 2007.
2. File No. 07-08
Applicant - KRUYK: William
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 17, Concession 11, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8698, registered November 5, 2007.
3. File No. 07-14
Applicant - KILPATRICK: Tonja
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 13, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-5381, registered November 19, 1991.
4. File No. 07-16
Applicant - PLUMLEY: Louise Ann and McCABE: Susan Margaret
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of East Moore's Lake, lying in front of Lot 23, Concession 5, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8697, registered November 5, 2007.
5. File No. 01-17
Applicant - INGRAM: Thomas M.
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 16, Concession 8, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8627, registered July 5, 2007.
6. File No. 07-10
Applicant - WILSON: Frank
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 25, Concession 5, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 9 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8722, registered January 8, 2008.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 16th day of January, 2008.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM
Planning Administrator

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

Jan 26 - Jimmy Flynn Show - 8:00pm, Minden Community Centre
Jan 31 - Council - 9:00am, Council Chambers
Feb 9 - Youth Saturday Art Clubs-see info on this page
Feb 14 - Deadline for Winterfest Minden photo contest
Feb 14 - Committee of the Whole - 9:00am, Council Chambers
Feb 16-18 - Winterfest Minden-Minden Community Centre & S.G. Nesbitt Arena

NOTICE

Canadian Tire - Site Plan

Updated information has been received and is available for public review in the Building and Planning Department during normal office hours. Comments must be received by January 31st, 2008.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM
Planning Administrator

PLEASE NOTE:

CLEAR BAGS ARE NOW MANDATORY AT ALL MINDEN HILLS LANDFILL

The Township of Minden Hills has been working very hard to encourage residents to divert recyclables in order to increase the life of our landfills. It is an enormous savings to you, the taxpayer, to lengthen the life of our sites, rather than go through the process of applying to the MOE to open a new site. We have now received final approval from the Ministry of the Environment to allow all residents of Minden Hills access to all of the Minden Hills landfill sites (current landfill cards accepted). New landfill cards will be printed and sent out with the interim tax bill along with your new recycling flyer. Dates and times will remain the same at the respective landfill sites. Clear Bags are now mandatory at all Minden Hills Landfill sites with one free bag per week per household.

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Tenders will be accepted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Item Description" at the Township of Minden Hills, at the above noted address, to the attention of Mr. Ray Miscio, Parks, Arena and Cemetery Manager, on or before 12:00 noon on Tuesday January 29, 2008. For more info call Ray Miscio at 286-1936.



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Winterfest Minden photo contest open now.

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Deadline is midnight Feb 14.

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Saturday, February 16

-3 pitch family "sno-pitch" tourney
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Sunday, February 17

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Chili & a movie!

Monday, February 18

-frisbee golf -mini golf -outdoor skating
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Attention Residents of Minden Hills

Effective Jan 1, 2008 the Township will be implementing mandatory clear bags at all of its landfill sites. For a list of all recycling materials, information can be obtained from the Administration Office, the landfill sites and on the Township's website www.mindenhills.ca "What's New."

Fundraising for hospital worthwhile

from page 6

Then the same paramedics who picked me out of the snow drove me and another woman, a Minden resident, who had broken her arm, to Toronto. They made sure throughout the journey that we were comfortable and we even had a few laughs. They could not have been nicer.

We are so fortunate to have such good medical service available in Minden, and that it co-ordinates so well with distant hospitals when needed. Thank you to all

the staff working on that Sunday who took such good care of me. We have contributed to your fundraising drives in the past, and you can be sure we will increase our donations in the future!

To finish my saga, I was operated on for a broken femur, spent 12 days in hospital including rehab, and am now recovering at home. Unfortunately, no more winter trips to the cottage this year.

Jill Reeve
Toronto

Council encroaches on private space with cat bylaw

Dear Editor,

I very much disagree with Mrs. Milford's comments that the proposed cat bylaw "does not infringe on anyone's rights."

I have two cats and if I wish to have four or five cats in my home that should be no one's business but my own. As long as our cats are in our home, and not roaming on anyone else's property, then our council should have no say.

Also, exactly what would paying \$10 a cat to tag them accomplish? Where would that money go?

If we had a pound or shelter that the

money would go to then I could maybe understand.

But since we don't, why should we have to pay to have cats in our own home?

I feel very strongly that this proposed bylaw is an encroachment by council into our private homes.

Tracey Pratt
Minden, Ontario



Jean Watt/TIMES

Two members of the Trillium Lakelands's Elementary Teachers Federation brought a \$500 cheque to Minden's YWCA for the Haliburton emergency rural safe space. From left, Steve Colliver, president of the union local; Margaret Dewar, executive director of the occasional teachers local; and Daisy Downs, admin assistant and office manager at the Minden YWCA.

Thanks for Christmas generosity

To the Editor:

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

The Minden Food Bank Christmas basket committee wishes to thank everyone for their generous support this past Christmas.

Donors' generosity and the kindness of the whole community allowed us to provide a special Christmas to a lot of people in the Minden and the surrounding area.

We provided a complete Christmas dinner, food for families, and wonderful presents for many children.

This kind of special gift only happens when people give from the heart.

We thank you for being so generous and we pray that you have an awesome 2008.

Thank you,
Ron and Toos Reid and Karen Guyatt



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Saturday, January 26th

9:00 AM4 Dog Race start
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12:00 PMKidd & Mutt
12:30 PM6 Dog Race followed immediately by
Recreational Race
2:00 PMYouth Race
3:00 PM8 Dog Race

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Sunday, January 27th

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11:45 AMDog Race followed immediately by
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1:15 PMYouth Race
2:30 PM8 Dog Race start
4:00 PMAward Ceremony & Volunteer &
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Ballroom)

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Airport survey takes people's temperature but doesn't provide diagnosis

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands councillor Carol Moffatt's "informal canvass" of reactions to the Stanhope airport crosswinds runway had 134 participants and reflected a largely disapproving base of residents, though Moffatt is adamant that the results mean very little.

"I thought they were interesting. I'm not using the results to make any case for anything," she said in an interview.

The nine-page summary of the results of the six-week survey can only be obtained by e-mailing Moffatt directly, since it was conducted as a "Carol Moffatt project" totally unaffiliated with the municipality.

"What I wanted to do was to find out what people thought in a pretty short period of time, being a new councillor. I was talking to all kinds of people but I thought I just can't get to all the people," she said.

The summary of the responses shows that most respondents were year-round Stanhope residents who felt knowledgeable about the crosswinds runway proposal.

The question "Based on your current level of knowledge about the proposed expansion of the airport, this project should stop immediately" received 48.5 per cent of the vote, with "this project should be approached with caution" getting 35.1 per cent. Only 10.4 per cent said the project should go ahead as planned.

Moffatt cautions that there is nothing professional about the questionnaire and it should not be used to make any kind of argument for or against the proposed runway.

"Anybody who tries hard enough could interpret the results six ways to Sunday, but I don't know that it necessarily means anything one way or another. I don't think it really says anything," she said.

Word that the survey was posted online was spread through e-mail. Moffatt sent the link to 150 people and encouraged them to forward the message on. She said that many of the cottagers associations were told about the survey, but there was no way of guaranteeing that a cross-section of the population was represented.

"For me, I didn't do the questionnaire to prove any point. I did the questionnaire to gather information. And I did that and I think it's a sample of opinion in our community," she said.

Moffatt said she struggled with the airport decision from day one as a councillor. Within six weeks of being elected to council she had to vote on the contentious issue, making speedy information gathering a necessity.

"It is hard to catch up after many years of people being involved in a project."

Anyone who wants to see the results of the questionnaire can e-mail Moffatt directly at cmoffatt@algonquinhighlands.ca.

"I'm not using the results to make a case for anything."

CAROL MOFFATT

Action plan gets people moving

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the January 10 Minden Hills council meeting.

Communities in Action is creating a map of Minden outlining active routes within the village. Walking and biking paths, benches, sidewalks and park space will be included to encourage people to park their cars and be active when moving around town. A similar project was undertaken in Haliburton with much positive feedback. Business owners will be given copies of the map to hand out and larger maps will be posted around town for reference.

New shuffleboard courts

The Minden Senior Shuffleboard group presented budget proposals to refurbish the four courts, which are in disrepair. Council decided that it could not fund the project, but would offer the club a loan to pay the costs. The price range is \$15,500 to \$5,500. There are 65 members in the club and membership is \$35 a year.

Evacuating Pritchard House

U-links and council are in the process of working out an agreement to move the group from Pritchard House to the former community policing building. The issue of rent has not been finalized yet.

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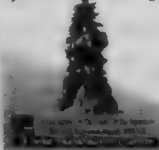
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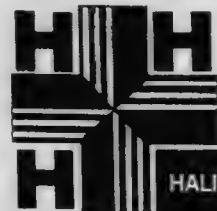
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Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation sincerely thank our Honourary Chairman for our 2007 "Reach for The Future" campaign, Dr. Bob Heyes and Dr. Dave Fiddler.

If you would like to help us "Reach for The Future" this Holiday Season, your gift can be sent to Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, Box 1413, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0 or Box 30, Minden, ON K0M 2K0, you can deposit your gift in the donation boxes at the Minden and Haliburton Facilities, or you can donate online at www.hhhs.on.ca/foundation.htm.



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Dorset gets the ball rolling

Community eager to share ideas for baseball diamond

by GREG HOEKSTRA
Times Staff

In a strong showing of community spirit, more than 50 Dorset residents turned out for a public meeting last Wednesday to share ideas on how to rehabilitate the community's ball diamond and park.

The meeting, which was held at the Dorset Recreation Centre, focused on five key areas for possible improvements. Ideas included the addition of a new playground structure, a covered picnic area and pavilion, a permanent outdoor washroom, a walking trail, and an all-purpose court that would turn the ice rink into a venue for basketball and tennis games in the summer.

Jim Jones, member of the ball diamond rehabilitation committee, chaired last week's meeting. He began by saying why the committee feels the project is an important step forward for Dorset.

"The park, at the current time, is not fully utilized," he said. "We're here tonight to hear your suggestions. What would you like to see in the park, and how we can make it better?"

All told, the project could cost upwards of \$166,000. However, Jennifer Schnier, community and recreation co-ordinator for the Township of Lake of Bays, told the public that a significant portion of those costs could be covered by a series of grants.

"Taking the most extreme figures it could be a pretty hefty load to take. However, there are incredible funding opportunities to promote a healthy living, and because



Greg Hoekstra/TIMES

Jan McDonald of the Algonquin Cooperative Development Corporation (right in photo) got the ball of community support rolling last Wednesday when she pledged \$1,500 towards the ball diamond restoration project on behalf of the ACDC. More than 50 community members turned out for last week's public meeting, with a second being planned for sometime in March. McDonald presented the pledge to Lake of Bays recreation co-ordinator Jennifer Schnier (left).

we are including a walking path in the proposal that could allow us to access some dollars."

Grants that the committee could apply for include \$32,000 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, \$15,000 from the Ronald McDonald Children's Charity, \$25,000 from Hydro One, \$10,000 from the Ministry of Health, and \$15,000 from Farmers Credit. That could bring the community's commitment down to just over \$69,000.

Likewise, Jones also added that not all elements of the proposal would need to be tackled right away. The next steps taken will depend entirely on the community's priorities, he said.

"Each part of the project is independent from the others and can be done at any point in the future. That's important to remember."

A question and answer period near the end of the meeting demonstrated the different priorities of local residents, though all seemed to agree that rehabilitating the park would be a good investment in Dorset's future.

Several also asked that the committee re-examine the possibility of putting a roof overtop the ice rink, which would again add to the project cost but would also extend the hockey season and protect the ice from bad weather.

"From the standpoint of a 10-year-old boy, that rink means more than anything," said one man who coaches a pick-up hockey league. "It's a big part of their lives, and it was a real crush to those kids when the rain ruined the ice last week."

Many other ideas were voiced throughout the meeting, but the committee is also expecting to get the majority of its feedback through a comment sheet and survey circulated during the meeting.

"This is exactly why a public meeting exists," said Schnier. "I'm hearing a lot of comments in favour of a roof over the ice, and if that's the direction you want us to go, we'll gladly go that way. Just please, make sure to write it on your comment cards."

"Whatever you have asked for tonight, or whatever you've identified on your sheets will be looked at," added Jones as he wrapped up the meeting.

He added that, after compiling the responses, the committee will likely call a second meeting sometime in March.

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Carol Moffatt/Special to The Times

Family loses everything to fire

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By the time he got the mud room door open, she had stumbled into the kitchen to join him.

However, opening the door and letting all that fresh air whoosh inside the house also made the fire more ferocious. Mother and son had barely enough time to grab a coat and boots before the heat, smoke and flames became unbearable.

Jason fears that if his older brother Michael, whose bedroom was at the back of the house, had been home that night, he wouldn't have made it out alive.

But now Jason and Carolyn were standing outside in the frigid winter air watching everything they own go up in flames.

Jason's cellphone was in his coat pocket and he used it to call 911. Minutes passed and there were no Stanhope fire trucks arriving to rescue them. Jason phoned 911 and gave the dispatcher his address again: 10278 Highway 118. "You live in Huntsville?" the dispatcher asked.

Because he was using his cellphone, the dispatcher was not able to automatically pinpoint where the fire was.

Luckily, by this time their neighbours, Dennis and Susan Davis, had awoken. Dennis rushed over and told Carolyn to go back to his house, from where Susan phoned 911.

"It's not the fire department's fault," Jason says of the delay in getting to the fire. "The dispatcher couldn't get a

fixed location. But what else [than a cellphone] do you have when something like this happens?"

Missy, the family's 14-year-old Shitzu, never leaves Carolyn's side so the dog was able to make it out alive. The family fears, however, that their cat, Claudia, didn't make it. The cat has not been seen since the fire.

A couple of days after the fire, Jason was still struggling to cope with the aftermath. His body is aching from the effort to get out through the window and then bang in the door. The family is living with Carolyn's mother, Ruby Johnson, in Minden and they have been overwhelmed by the kindness of others. "People have been so nice it's unbelievable," says Jason, who took a brief leave of absence from his work at Haliburton's Extencicare so he could help his family rebuild their lives.

"It's like a blur," he says. "It's been terrible. It was almost three ago that we lost my dad but I guess you carry on."

As for being credited with saving his mother's life, he says, "You just do it because you have to."

All he knows is that it was a smoke alarm that saved their lives. If they hadn't been able to get out when they did, he doubts they would have got out at all.

The cause of the fire is not yet determined. It's believed it started near the fusebox.

Confusion over where the fire was led to response delays. Jason Redner used his cellphone to call 911 but the dispatcher thought he was calling from Huntsville. The Redners' house, on Hwy 118 across from the Art Hive in Maple Lake, was beyond saving when Stanhope Firefighters arrived around four in the morning on Saturday.

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Maria Perrin can mush with the best of them

Feature and photos by Matt James

THIS COMING WEEKEND is the 5th Annual Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby and it's an event that eight-year-old — almost nine-year-old — dogsled veteran Maria Perrin is getting excited about.

It is not just about winning for Maria; she also likes the sport because it's fun.

Maria is sitting in her Gelert home playing with her new puppy, Flurry. Around her are some of the trophies she's won in her career as a musher. Of the five races Maria entered last year she won three of them and missed a fourth by seventeen hundredths of a second.

"I like the Cannington race because the trophy is tall," says Maria, "but I mostly like the trophy because of the dog on top."

Maria is entering her fourth year of dog

sledding and enjoys the racing as much as her puller, Lightning. "The best part about racing is that I get to work with the dogs," says a mature Maria. "The worst part is if the dogs are hurt you can't race."

The Perrin family got into dog sledding mostly by accident. One day Maria's mother, Gail, wondered if her Great Dane could pull Maria on a GT Snowracer. The giant and muscular dog loved it and Gail's interest grew from there. As dog lover, she started training her pets and her pack quickly grew in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

It wasn't only people who had to flee their homes. Hundreds of pets were also made homeless when the flood waters rose.

see RESCUED DOGS page 15



The Perrin family started dogsledding by accident. Mother Gail wondered if their Great Dane would pull young Maria on a sleigh. The dog loved it, Maria loved it and soon Silhouette Stables in Gelert was home to as many dogs as horses. The stableyard has been turned into training trails.

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Rescued dogs from New Orleans join the team

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Many dogs were being euthanized in the over-populated shelters.

Not only did Gail adopt two puppies but she also set up a website, www.racingrescues.com, to encourage others to do the same as well as educate people on dog sledding.

In the early days of training her dogs, Gail packed down her trails — all part of her main business, Silhouette Stables — with snowshoes dragging a bail of hay on a plastic sled.

"It really kept me in shape," said Perrin. Even though she now uses a snowmobile to pack the trails, her seven dogs are rambunctious enough to keep her moving all the time.

Silhouette Stables has plenty of space for the dogs and for training. Perrin has made a track measuring 761 metres. The course consists of different levels of turns and other elements necessary to train become a successful dog sledder.

"I've got the youngest pups in training now, but they're not ready to compete in a four mile race yet.

"I can tell when a dog wants to race and when they don't. I don't force them if they don't want to go," says Perrin. "Border collies are such active dogs."

Lightning, for example loves to dogsled, so much so that as we headed towards the barn where the sled is stored the Border Collie mix ran to the shed, doubled back, stopped and stood looking at us as if he was saying, 'What's taking you guys so long? Grow two more legs will you please?'

Perrin is a big fan of collies and believes the type of dogs are always up for adoption because they're highly energetic and more often than not an owner's personality does not match that of the dogs. "Some people don't take the time to research the type of dog they're getting."

Next year Perrin hopes to enter a four-dog event and do a little racing herself.

There are three different race classes in this weekend's



Maria displays some of the medals and trophies she's won as a musher. She likes the trophies best because of the dog sculptures.

derby at the Delta Pinestone Resort: the Kid and Mutt races, which are very short distances with one dog and one kid usually 12 and younger; the Youth races, which see racers pulled by two or three dogs with a kid 12 and older; and of course adult races that showcase four, six and eight-dog events.

The race is also a qualifier for the Canadian National Dog Sled Team.

The Haliburton Highlands Dog Sled Derby has a guaranteed purse of \$10,000 thanks to approximately 66 sponsors from around the Haliburton County.

For details please visit www.winterdance.com.

Event schedule

All events take place at the Delta Pinestone Resort on Cty. Rd. 21.

Saturday, January 26

9:00 am 4 dog race start

10:45 am Skijoring

12 noon Kid & Mutt 1

2:30 pm 6 dog race followed immediately by Recreational race

2:00 pm Youth Race

3:00 pm 8 Dog Race

Sunday, January 27

7:30 am Drivers Meeting (Kinmount Room -Delta Pinestone)

8:30 am 4 dog race start

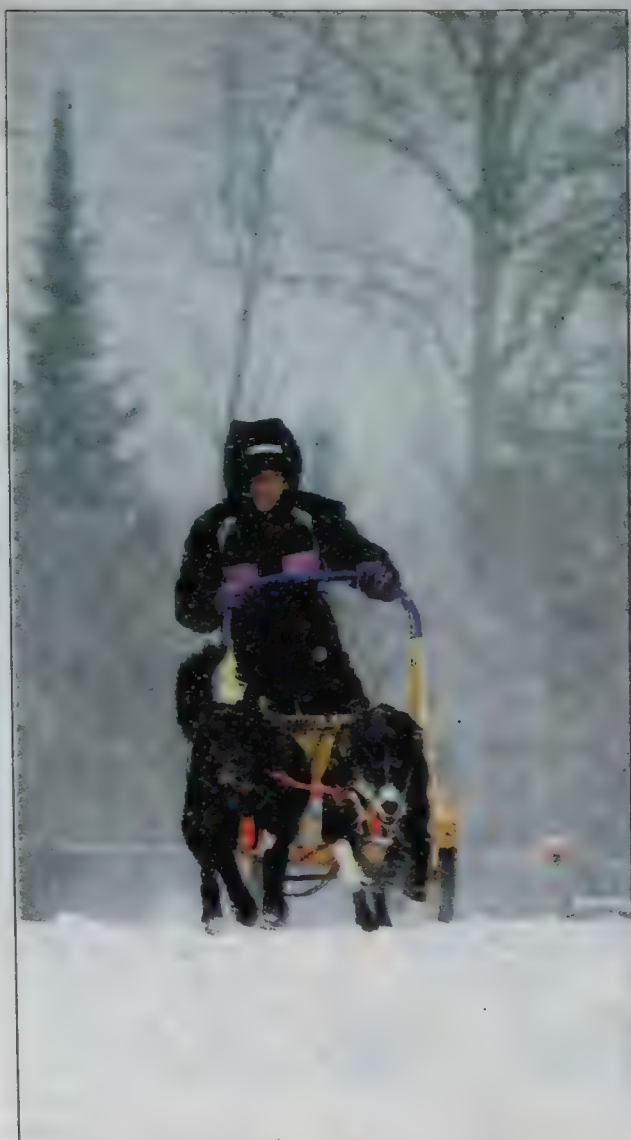
10:15 am Skijor Race

11:45 pm 6 dog race followed immediately by Recreational race

1:15 pm Youth Race

2:30 pm 8 dog race start

4:00 pm Award Ceremony & Volunteer & Sponsor Party (Delta Pinestone Ballroom)



Maria Perrin loves to race almost as much as her dogs do. Some of the dogs were abandoned after Hurricane Katrina and adopted by the Gelert family.

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Plan includes Mark's Work Wearhouse

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The plan, which has yet to be approved, specifies changes from the original plan including a 1.8 metre wood fence at the north-west corner and rear of existing residential lots on Water Street; a

noise control screen adjacent to the loading area; an enclosed refuse area and tree planting along Water Street.

Some of the requests put forward by planning consultant Rick Hunter on behalf of Minden Hills were not adopted by the compa-

ny, such as pedestrian access from Teasdale Street and additional accessible parking close to Mark's Work Wearhouse, due to safety concerns near the truck unloading area.

The Canadian Tire building consolidates five properties on

3.06 hectares of land with a nearly 6,000 square-foot retail and automotive store, 563 square-foot clothing store and a 572 square-foot garden centre.

According to the plans, over \$1 million will be spent on drainage with storm sewers, sanitary sew-

ers, driveway access, parking lot, site preparation and water main combined. In addition, the company estimates it will spend more than \$80,000 on trees and shrubbery mostly along Water Street.

The daily water consumption will be 18,000 litres a day in the summer and 15,000 litres a day in the winter.

"The Stormceptors to be used will contain 95 per cent of oil spills that occur during a normal storm event and will meet [Ministry of the Environment] Level 1 Protection," the engineering report states.

The plans can be viewed by the public at the planning office any time and will go to council on March 13.

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The show will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Northern Lights Pavilion at Hali-burton Highlands Secondary School. Tickets are \$8 for adults, and \$6 for children (tickets for children under two years old are free). Tickets may be purchased at the door. For details, contact Stacey Bennett at 286-4511 or visit www.razzamataz.ca.

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Tuesday night, January 15

Men

High Average: Ken Thompson 204

High Single: Don Nickell 248

High Single w/hdcp: Don Nickell 286

High Triple: Dan Harding 627

High Triple w/hdcp: Mike Vuksic 732

Women

High Average: Marlene Robinson 194

High Single: Sheri Holleran 205

High Single w/hdcp: Sheri Holleran 273

High Triple: Marlene Robinson 541

High Triple w/hdcp: Sheri Holleran 651

Tuesday afternoon January 15

High Average: Ken Thompson 214

High Single: Larry Mattsson 285

High Single w/hdcp: Larry Mattsson 327

High Triple: John Pugh 659

High Triple w/hdcp: John Pugh 761

Women

High Average: Lillian Mattsson 183

High Single: Lillian Mattsson 204

High Single w/hdcp: Barb. Milligan & Cathy Hunt 252

High Triple: Lillian Mattsson 529

High Triple w/hdcp: Shirley Venner 673

Wednesday afternoon Jan. 16

Men

High Average: Ken Thompson 221

High Average: High Single: Ken Thompson 263

High Single w/hdcp: Marty Shuster 289

High Triple: Ken Thompson 629

High Triple w/hdcp: Bill Trapp 660

Women

High Average: Nonna Terro 167

High Single: Marie Thompson 226

High Single w/hdcp: Marie Thompson 276

High Triple: Marie Thompson 538

High Triple w/hdcp: Solveg Stout 691

Thursday afternoon January 17

Men

High Average: Ken Thompson 223

High Single: Ken Thompson 272

High Single w/hdcp: Bruno Campagnolo & Bil Hogg 253

High Triple: Ken Thompson 695

High Triple w/hdcp: Bill Hogg 673

Women

High Average: Shirley Webb 177

High Single: Shirley Webb 250

High Single w/hdcp: Georgina Parks 296

High Triple: Shirley Webb 591

High Triple w/hdcp: Joyce Chilton 780

MINDEN LANES

Seniors Mixed 636 January 14

Men

High Average: John Ritchie, 157

High Single: John Ritchie, 250

High Triple: John Ritchie, 281

High Single w/hdcp: John Ritchie, 586

High Triple w/hdcp: John Ritchie, 701

Women

High Average: Barb Ballantyne, 171

High Single: Barb Ballantyne, 216

High Triple: Barb Ballantyne, 559

High Single w/hdcp: Barb Ballantyne, 261

High Triple w/hdcp: Barb Ballantyne, 694.

Junior girls sharpen skills

The HHSS junior girls volleyball team hosted a five-match tournament at the Nest on Jan. 10. While the ladies lost the majority of their games the tournament gave the team a chance to sharpen their skills, to gel as a team and get accustomed to tournament play. - Matt James photos



Katrina Chvedukas had a few kills in the tournament.



Kaitlin Allore takes a bump during game three.

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Referees not to blame for Red Hawks loss

by MATT JAMES
Times staff

It was a heated match for junior boys basketball coach Roland Zilla on January 16 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The juniors hosted the St. Thomas Aquinas Titans who won the match 46-19.

The Red Hawks kept the game close in the first half with an early bucket and a big blocked shot by Graeme Lloyd. Luke Watson added another bucket bringing the score 4-7 in favour of the Titans. Watson would finish the game with seven defensive rebounds

But things took a turn in the second quarter and Zilla was visibly upset at some of the decisions the referees were making. Big Red Matt Smith and Andrew Elia were good for a couple points while Adam van Nood had a very impressive game finishing with eight points.

The boys did their best to keep the game within reach and at the half the Red Hawks were down 14-32. But it wasn't enough to stave the Titans.

The juniors have one more game against LCVI and perhaps a chance at the play-offs.



Andrew Elia tosses and three ball and drains it



Big Red Matt Smith looks to the rim as a Titans player waits for his opportunity.

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Storm blow away the Leafs

Strong defence helps lead PeeWees' playoff advance

by WENDY SISSON
Special to the Times

With the regular season of play now in the books, what all of the teams have been hoping for is now in the works — the OMHA play downs.

This past weekend the PeeWee A team, sponsored by Floyd Hall Insurance and Haliburton TimBr Mart, started their journey with a meeting against Orono. Having met this team in tournament play, the Storm had some idea of what this Orono team was like. The series began with a Friday night trip to the opposition's arena. With good pressure in the first, the Storm found itself on the score board first at the end of period one with a goal by

Nate Feir, assisted by Nick Hunter and Tanner Hamilton.

From then on there was no looking back for the Storm. They dominated play and outscored the home town team by 5-0. Scoring for the Storm were then Jacob

Harrison, Spencer Trueman, Doni MacInnes, and Taylor Rowbotham with assists going to Nick, Tanner, and Stewart Chalk. Having the shut out for this game was Brayden Frost.

That left the Orono Leafs travelling to Haliburton for the next two games. The Leafs regrouped for Saturday's game and came to play. They lit up the score board first with a goal and held the lead until the dying seconds of the second period when Nate found the back of the net, helper to Nick, tying the game going into the intermission.

Apparently it was the Storm's turn to regroup. They came out in the third to score four unanswered goals. Getting in the goal column were Doni, Spence (two), and Tyler Barry, assists to Tyler, Taylor (two), Kieran, and Nick (two). Score at the buzzer was 5-1 Storm with Jordan Hamilton standing strong between the pipes.

The third and maybe final game of the series was Sunday afternoon when it may not have been any warmer in the rink than it was outside. The home team hit the scoreboard early in the first with three goals — one each from Keiran, Tyler, and Nick, with helpers to Spence, Nick and Tanner. Then after a brief stop in play and a reorganization of the lines for both teams, Doni scored the only goal in the second fed by Nate and Taylor.

In the third Stewart put the finishing touches to the game with Jaocb's help. That would finish the game 5-0 and the series 3-0 Storm.

With only having one goal scored against this team in the whole series, defence played huge part in these games and are not recognized on the score sheet. Making some good rushes to get the puck out of the Storm's end were Chris Hall and Jacob Sisson, while standing strong on their feet and taking the rushers out of the play were Drew Hewitt and Mike Nelson. Awesome effort everyone!

The PeeWees are waiting to see who they will play for the next round. Stay tuned!

Highland Storm teams look strong, should see success in playoffs

The following are results from Highland Storm playoffs games from Jan 18-20.

Bantam A: Jan. 18 Storm 1 Orono 2 OT; Jan. 19 Storm 2 Orono 0; Jan. 20 Storm 5 Orono 2.

Novice A: Jan. 19 Storm 1 Orono 1 TIE; Jan. 20 Storm 4 Orono 3.

PeeWee: Jan. 18 Storm 5 Orono 0;

Jan. 19 Storm 5 Orono 1; Jan. 20 Storm 5 Orono 0.

The following are playoff schedules for up-coming Highland Storm home games at the Minden Arena.

Novice: Jan. 26 at 4 p.m.

Atom AE: Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. and Jan. 27 at 3:30 p.m.

PeeWee AE: Jan. 25 at 8:30 p.m. and Jan. 27 at 2 p.m.

PeeWee: Jan. 27 at 5 p.m.

Atom: Jan. 26 at 5 p.m. and Jan. 29 at 7 p.m.

Midget: Jan. 26 at 8:30p.m and Jan. 29 at 8:30p.m.



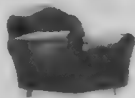
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Minden wants to have another banner year

Last year was a banner year for the streets of Minden and this year will be even better.

More than 20 new sites are being added to the Minden Hills Festival of Banners. Students and adults are being encouraged to create designs for banners that will be hung from light standards and hydro poles throughout the village. Last year's call for entries attracted a large number of high quality entries. The banners were a great addition to the community's colourful summer. "This year we are adding 20 more adult banner locations and increasing the number of elementary school student banners as well," says committee chair Deborah Lyons.

"A specific number of banner spaces have been set aside for elementary school students. We anticipate that there will be at least three spaces per grade level, (grades three through eight) depending on the response."

The elementary school banners will be on display from the CIBC corner to the Sunnyside Bridge and along the river by the dock. A number of large adult banner spaces are reserved for high school student entries. The remaining banner locations are for the general public, artists and seniors to participate in this project.

This year's theme for the banners is: My Favourite...

Participants are asked to submit designs on card stock 4 1/4 X 10 inches, adult size; and 3 5/8 X 9 1/2 inches for elementary school students. Pre-cut card stock is available from The Storeroom in Minden. The maquettes will be

used to select the banners to be completed. These cards will also be used to project the images onto the banner material prior to painting. The size of the banners are: 34 X 80 inches adult; 24 X 58 student size. The designs, which must be original work, must be submitted by February 14, 2008.

A committee will review the submissions and select the banners to be painted. Those chosen will be notified and advised of the time and location of the banner painting.

The banner material, paint, brushes, the location for painting and projection equipment will be provided by the committee. Those individuals who have created the selected designs will be expected to come to the location in Minden to complete their banners. The public will be invited to observe as the banners are being painted.

The designs will be transferred from the maquette to the banner material using a projector. A pencil outline of the design will be made on the banner material to assist the painters in duplicating the original designs. Artists who do not need this assistance should indicate so when they make their submission.

After the painting has been completed, the banners will dry and in the spring they will be mounted on the lamp posts throughout the community. Experienced banner painters will be on hand to provide advice for the artists.

A printed guide will be created which will identify each banner by title and the designer/painter.

The banners will remain on the poles until after Thanksgiving. The elementary school students' banners will be the property of the artists or class and will be returned to them at the school. The banner designs, images of their creation and display will be the property of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners and may be used for publicity purposes or in fund-raising ventures to further the work of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners. The banners completed by adults become the property of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners and may be sold, retained, duplicated or otherwise used to further the efforts of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners.

Some suggestion on banner design

- The banner paint is house exterior acrylic latex. It will be available in white, black, red, yellow, blue, green, brown and purple. Designs in these colours will work best as it may be difficult to match a blended colour.

- Remember that while the finished banners are quite large, they will be viewed from a distance. Designs which are bold, simple and colourful will likely be more visually appealing than intricate designs.

- Once mounted on poles, the banners are seen from

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both sides so inclusion of numbers or letters in the designs will not be allowed.

- The design submitted on maquette will be considered the final work in both image and colour.
- The theme has been suggested to provide direction in the creative process. The Committee recognizes that there can be many interpretations of the theme and encourage the designers to be creative in bringing their ideas to the design process.
- Inclusion of commercial content, logos etc. is not permitted. The committee reserves the right to exclude any design it deems inappropriate.

How to enter

To enter the Minden Hills Festival of Banners, simply submit a design on card stock. Each maquette must be attached to an entry form. Please ensure the name, phone

number and the title of the work is written on the back of the maquette. Place the entry in an envelope addressed to "Minden Hills Festival of Banners". Submissions can be dropped off at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre or at The Storeroom, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden. Entry forms are available at the same locations.

The deadline for submissions is February 14.

The creators of the submissions chosen for completion will be notified following the selection process and a time for painting the banners will be arranged.

There is no charge for student (elementary and secondary school) submissions made through the school or home school students 16 years of age or younger.

Each adult entry must be accompanied by an entry form and a \$5 entry fee. Students are welcome to submit designs outside of the school entries, however, a \$5 entry fee is required for each independent submission. (Cheques should be made out to the Minden Hills Festival of Banners.)

Questions: please contact Deborah Lyons at 286-1424.



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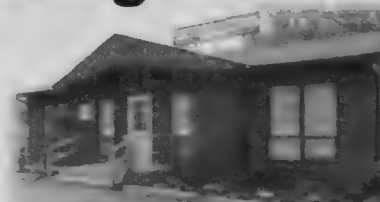
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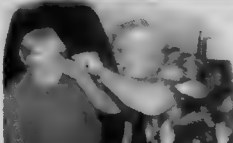
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Kinmount loses 'one great guy'

Once again, with the passing of Norm Gilmour, Kinmount has lost another valued resident and community volunteer. Norm was born in 1919 in Medicine Hat, Alberta the youngest of six children. Later the family moved to the Windsor, Ontario area and then, when Norm was in his later teens, here to Kinmount. In 1941 he went overseas with the Canadian army seeing much action which included the battle of Normandy.

Returning home in 1945 he married his wife Beryl in February 1946 and together they built their house in Kinmount. Norm worked for Pat Taylor both as a mechanic and, in the summer months, driving the big machines on road construction. In 1961 he became manager of the L.C.B.O. in Kinmount finishing his career at the larger Minden store.

Norm was a charter member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount and every day at 4 p.m. would head out enroute to the Legion which became his second home. In addition Norm was active in many community organizations including the Lions Club, the Masonic Lodge and Kinmount United Church. He had a great sense of humour and was famous for his practical jokes. Personally, my fondest memory is of Norm standing proudly in front of the Kinmount Cenotaph during the Legion's Remembrance Day Service reading out the names of those who gave their lives in the two World Wars. Perhaps niece Pat and Max Radiff summed it up best: "He was one great guy."

A special service is being planned by the Legion for Norm with details to follow.

From the Legion here are the winners of the Big Bucks Bid Euchre from Wednesday, January 16. First was Norm Lane, second Joanne Simmons and third Rob Mackie. This popular event is held

the third Wednesday of each month at the Legion at 11 a.m.

Also from the Kinmount Legion an advance notice of the Valentine's Dance coming up on Saturday, February 9 at 8 p.m. Admission is by donation of a non-perishable food item for the local food bank. A wide variety of rock and roll and country favourites from the '40s to the present will be played by the D.J. along with spot dances and fun Valentine trivia contests. A light lunch will be provided.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

January 15 contract bridge at Stanhope: First was Bruce Armstrong with 5950 points followed by Muriel McIntosh 5860, Rob Eaton 4790 and Harold Cox 4630. Jack Cox won the lucky draw and Paul Pethick the Shiny Penny while Bruce Armstrong carried off the S.W.H. Award to the cheers of Scots Wha Hae.

January 15 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Top team members were George Hamilton and Joan Meadows at 418 then our reporter Pearl Cowen and John Fortune at 333. In third spot were Jim Meadows and Grace Barrack at 218 with Sandy Poulton going solo for the afternoon's low of 125.

January 15 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading the ladies was Edith Burch at 314 with Verna McDonald 274 second and Margaret Fletcher 252 third. Men's high went to Tom Grix at 297 then Marcel Roussel 276 and Eileen Shepstone 269. Pat Roussel, Elli Langpohl, Phyllis Windsor and Verna McDonald took the

draws with moonshots landing on Tom Grix, Margaret Fletcher, Maria Tschida, Bev Johnson, Edith Burch and Kevin Maloney [2].

January 16 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing the Howell method in first were Bruce Armstrong and Harold

Cox at 63% then Nancy Jackson partnered with Helen Baker at 61%. Third spot went

to Jan and Dave Heaven at 59%.

January 16 bid euchre at Stanhope: Moonshots were recorded by Garth Windsor, Chris Clarke, Helen Henderson and Kevin Maloney. Tops for the white cards was Tom Macartney at 290 with Chris Clarke 286 second and Jack Cox 284 third. Leading lady was Mary Pearson at 320 then Muriel Harrington 308 and Pearl Cowen 297.

January 17 euchre at Minden Legion: May Bradbury reports that the lone hand holders were Pearl Cowen and Bob Pollard with Gala Stamp and Don Burch recording the highs. Flo Roussel and Tom Orr took the low scores while the other prizes were won by Kay Orr, Bob Cleverley, Maria Tschida, Gala Stamp and Lorna Hicks.

January 18 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Using the Howell system Dee MacLean and Rob Eaton tied with Muriel McIntosh and Ross Davies for top spot at 60%. Reet Murray partnered with our bridge reporter Ross Fletcher followed at 58%.

January 18 bid euchre at Club 35: Champion for the pinks was our reporter Mary Pearson 263 with Helen Windsor 251 second and Dorene Elstone 242 third. Garth Windsor led the whites at 222 then Tom Pearson 210 and Norm Mark 189 with Linda Voycey holding the hidden score.

January 18 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Doreen Francis reports that Verna McDonald won for high Hands, Hazel

Dorman for lone hands, Beth McWatters for low hands and Nick Boekestyn for the draw prize.

January 19 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Moonshots went to Don Burch, Elli Langpohl and Theresa Deak with Theresa first for the white cards at 298 followed by Gala Stamp 257 and Pauline Franzen 244. World traveler Jean Scadden led the pinks at 268 with Verna McDonald 230 second and Elli Langpohl a close third at 229.

January 21 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Marion Stickwood and Syd Adamson while Karen Chapman and Gala Stamp had the afternoon's highs.

Winning for low score was our reporter Tim Sharpe with Lois Adamson and Gala Stamp taking home the special prizes. The skunk decided to brave the cold and pay a visit to Jeanne Keliele and Barbara Braithwaite.

January 21 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: High score holder was Dana Briscoe with our reporter Pauline Franzen second and Sharron Atkinson third. Sharron also won the draw and Pauline had the afternoon's only moonshot.

January 21 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Elaine Yeo reports a great turnout and that Brenda Butterfield won for high hands, Martha Harding for lone hands, Doreen French for low hands and Jesse Barlow for the draw.

January 21 cribbage at Minden Legion: The high scoring trio in order were Gwen Cox, Eileen Shapiera and Syd Adamson with the other prizes going to Sharron Atkinson, Don Hicks, Joe Rivers and Eileen Shapiera. Thanks to Elva Paisley for this update.

January 21 euchre at Club 35: For most lone hands it was our reporter Garth Windsor while Pearl Kemohan and Harry Randell took the high scores. Low scores for the evening went to Cliff Davison and Ray Sisson with the bologna going to Clara Miscio. Two special prizes were awarded to Linda Voycey and Dave Switzer.



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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act*, and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday February 11th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-087/07

Applicant: Helene HUCULAK

Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 12 to 14, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Snowdon

Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 23rd day of January, 2008.

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NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BUCKSLIDE DAM BRIDGE

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The project is being initiated in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Manual, dated June 2000. The Municipal Class EA applies to municipal infrastructure projects including roads, bridges, water and wastewater projects. This project is designated as a Schedule 'B' undertaking, under the Environmental Assessment Act.

As part of the process public and agency consultation is an important component of the Environmental Assessment process. Public and agency input are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of the project.

Subject to comments received and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Township of Algonquin Highlands intends to proceed with the planning, design, and construction of this project.

If you are interested in receiving further information on this project, please contact the following individuals:

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Fireman's loss of workshop affects everyone



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Like everyone else our thoughts are with Ian Coltman since their fire last Monday night. Since he was one of our prized volunteer firefighters, the impact of this tragedy has affected us all. We sincerely hope that things will work out for him and his wife. If thoughts and good wishes are all that it would take, he would have a new workshop and repairs to the house in no time at all. But life isn't like that!

But on a much happier note, we have a new Stanhope resident. Welcome to Emily Elizabeth who came into this world January 12 at the Orillia hospital at 3 a.m. weighing all of 7 lb. 1 oz.

Congratulations to Laura and James Graves on this wonderful addition to their family. Their older daughter Destiny will have some big sister duties to attend to.

Laura and James are new residents in our neighbourhood. They just recently moved from Minden to live on North Shore Rd. We wish them much happiness!

Here's a reminder for you that The Hair Lounge is the place to be this Saturday night. Don Ross and Brooke

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Bundle of joys also come with four legs. Congratulations to Kathy, Kevin and Kim Alcott of Hall's Lake on their new addition to the family. Kayden is a Husky, born on Oct. 23, and is now residing with a caring and loving family.

Anyone who knows Kathy will appreciate just what a big decision this was. She was definitely a non-dog person in the past, so when she brought Kayden to meet Bella last week, you could see that this little puppy has definitely won someone's heart.

Kayden has beautiful colorings with black circles around the eyes that look like a pair of glasses.

Friends who know Kathy really were very surprised; as one of them put it, "hell did freeze over".

With this extremely cold weather outside, keep in mind that if you wouldn't spend the night outside either should your pet - bring them in please!

Finally, did you think you had to wait until spring to find yourself at a great garage sale?

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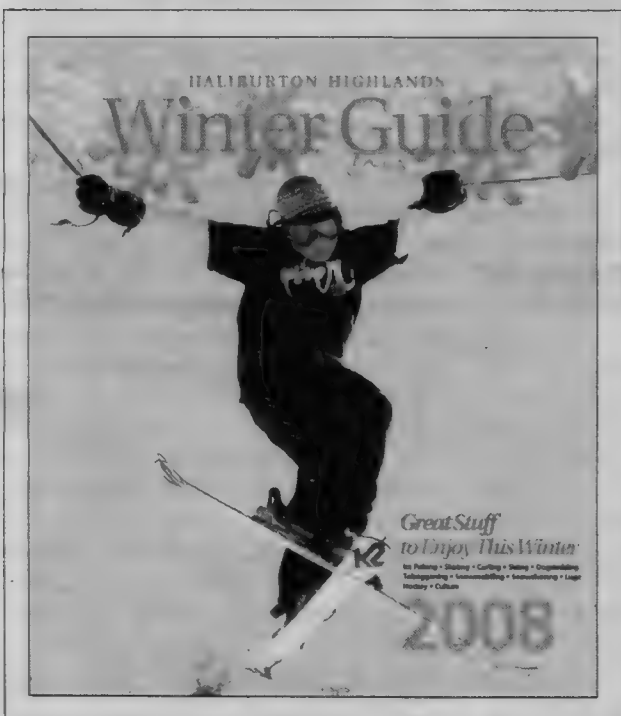
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How many weeks until spring? Only kidding. I'm holding in pretty well and shouldn't be selfish; there are lots of winter sports to be enjoyed. My snowshoes should come out of storage.

That's it - have a great week!

Have some news to share?
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NOTICE

Township of Algonquin Highlands

Effective immediately and until further notice
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located on Buckslide Road, which is
scheduled to undergo rehabilitation and repair,
will be reduced
to a single lane for vehicular traffic.

For further information, please contact:

Brian Whetstone, CRS-S
Manager of Operations
Township of Algonquin Highlands
R.R. #2, 1123 North Shore Rd.
Minden, ON K0M 2K0
Tel: (705) 489-2379
Fax: (705) 489-3491
Email: bwhetstone@algonquinhighlands.ca



Corporation of the Township of
Algonquin Highlands

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: HARRISON
Part Lot 27 Concession 4
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has by resolution declared Part of Lot 27 Concession 4, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, now in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the forced Township road known as MacBrien Road and being Part of Lot 27 Concession 4, Geographic Township of Stanhope described as follows:

FIRSTLY: All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope in the County of Haliburton and being composed of Part of Lot 27 Concession 4 more particularly described as Part 3 on Plan 19R-8693 deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at it's regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the 24th day of January 2008 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated: January 7, 2008

Angie Bird, A.M.C.T., CMM 1
Municipal Clerk - Planning Administrator
Township of Algonquin Highlands
1123 North Shore Rd., RR # 2
Minden, ON
K0M 2K0
Tel: (705) 489-2379
Fax: (705) 489-3491
Email: abird@algonquinhighlands.ca



Corporation of the Township of
Algonquin Highlands

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Rick and Jane Ellis
Part Lot 24 Concession 13, Big Hawk Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has by resolution declared parts of an original shore road allowance lying in front of Part Lot 24 Concession 13, Big Hawk Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Part Lot 24 Concession 13, geographic Township of Stanhope described as follows:

FIRSTLY: All and Singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope in the County of Haliburton and being composed of parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Part Lot 24 Concession 13 more particularly described as Parts 2 and 3 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-8656.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at it's regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the 24th day of January 2008 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated: January 8, 2008

Angie Bird, A.M.C.T., CMM 1
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- Jan. 27: Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsored by Floyd Hall Limited Insurance Brokers
- Jan. 24: The University Women's Club of Haliburton Highlands invites members and interested individuals to the program section of its January general meeting. Kim Emmerson will talk about the history of Haliburton on Thursday January 24th at 2:00 p.m. at Fleming College.
- Jan. 24: VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m., Located at Staanworth Court Lounge, Minden. Clinics the fourth Thurs. of the month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-8255. Everyone Welcome.
- Jan. 28: Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team is offering an educational session on Osteoporosis "SPEAKING OF BONES" on Monday, Jan. 28, 3-4pm in the Family Health Team Classroom at the Minden Health Centre. Our speaker is Heather Eatson, Osteoporosis Canada. All are welcome.
- Jan. 31: Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, PA Day Sponsored by Township of Minden Hills
- Feb 3: Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsored by Subway Development
- Feb 10: Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsored by Northern Lights
- Feb 13: Car Seat Safety Clinic, Wednesday, February 13, 10 am to 1 pm, Haliburton Highlands OPP Detachment (Highway 35) in Minden. No appointments required. Call (705) 457-1391 for more details.
- Feb 14: Well Baby Drop-in Clinic, Thursday, February 14, 10 am to noon, Ontario Early Years Centre (inside Sears Building) in Minden. Visit with a Family Health Nurse from the Health Unit to see how your baby is growing and developing. Call (705) 457-1391 for more information.
- Feb 16: There will be a "Pampered Chef" Fundraiser at the Cobocok Train Station Sat. Feb. 16/08 at 2:00 p.m. See some great cooking tools and enjoy FREE refreshments! 20% of all sales go towards the ongoing restoration of the Cobocok Train Station. For further information, contact Barb Curry at 454-1878.
- Mar 12: Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsor is Modern Electric
- Mar 13: Well Baby Drop-in Clinic, Visit with a Family Health Nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (inside Sears Building) from 10 am to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391.

ONGOING EVENTS

- A pictorial essay of Haliburton County. A new picture every day at jackbush.my-expressions.com
- Adult Badminton - Mondays, 8-10 p.m. Runs until May 26/08 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Call 286-1765.
- Adult Shiny Hockey - Thursdays from 1pm to 3pm, S.G. Nesbitt Arena. Full Equipment must be worn, 18 years of age and older. A great opportunity to participate in a game of "pick-up" hockey. Get a group together from work to create your own league. Cost of participation \$5.00 per person. For further information call 286-1936.
- Al-Anon Meetings - Haliburton Highlands Meeting, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. George's Anglican Church (side door entrance), Haliburton; Minden Al-anon Meeting, Mondays, 8 p.m., at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance), Minden.
- Alzheimer's Disease - "Caring with Confidence" group for caregivers meets on the 4th Thurs. of the month at the Haliburton Hospital Boardroom at 10-12. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742.
- Aqua Size for Seniors or Adults with disabilities - If you are interested, call Community Care 457-2941.
- Celebrate Recovery Meeting - is for everyone with hurts, habits & hang-ups. Lakeside Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) Call 457-2851.
- Climbing Club - Tuesday evenings at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. Families 6:30 - 8 pm, children and parents climb together; Youth & Adults 8 pm - 9 pm. Fee: \$2. per person. Sponsored by Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents. Call Donna at 457-5345, ext. 314 or email: donna@pointintime.ca
- Contract Bridge - Bid Euchre - Cribbage: For Seniors (55+) or a physically disabled adult (18+). Community Care Haliburton County offers Contract Bridge Mondays at 1 p.m., Bid Euchre Thursdays at 1 p.m. & Cribbage Fridays at 1 p.m. Call Ida at 457-2941.
- Do you enjoy euchre, bridge, & other card games- Come to the Card Night at the Fort Irwin's Residents' Assoc. Hall (FIRA) on Tues. from 7-9 p.m. For more info call Ken Fuller at 754-3699.
- Easy Fit Yoga for Mature Adults - offered by Community Care every Thursday with instructor Gail Holness. Call 457-2941 for more info.
- Emergency Response System for seniors that want the security of accessing help without reaching the telephone. Call 457-2941.
- For women experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7556.
- Highlands Squash Club (beside the Haliburton Arena) offers Recreational Squash. Tues. & Thurs. evenings from 7:30 to 9:30. Free lessons for beginners. Membership avail. Call Glen at 457-2862 or Don at 457-1110.
- Indoor Walking - Haliburton - Walk for your health! Inside the high school, 7 to 8 a.m. Sponsored by "Heart & Stroke." Phone Kelly & Jackie Metcalf at 457-3756.
- Indoor Walking in Minden at Archie Stouffer on all school days, 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. now until May/08. Call Maxine, 286-2006 or Morris, 286-6079. Sponsored by Heart & Stroke.
- Living with Cancer - A Support Group meets on the 3rd Tues. of the month from 1-3 p.m. For info call Linda or Dorothy at 457-1742.
- Mac user group starting up! Anyone interested in meeting once a month please email HYPERLINK "mailto:haliburtondance@sympatico.ca" haliburtondance@sympatico.ca (in conjunction with macs@work)
- Meals On Wheels - by Community Care Haliburton County offers nutritiously balanced frozen meals. Call 457-2941.
- North Entrance Lodge - meets the third Wednesday of each month, from now until June 2008 at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in this great fraternity please call Roger Hillier at 447-2767.
- Ontario Breast Screening Program - for women 50 years & over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays & Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call (705) 328-6175.
- Ontario Early Years - Parents & children 0-6 years drop-in & see us every other Thurs. at the Lloyd Watson Centre from 9:30 a.m. - 12. Call 457-2989.
- Public Skating: Parents & Tots Skating (Free) Tuesdays 10:30 am - 12pm. or, Adults Skate (\$1.00) Tuesdays 1pm - 3 pm, both held at the SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden.
- Rails End Gallery - Tea At Three, every Wednesday at 3 p.m., 23 York St. Haliburton. A weekly discussion group for adults who like to talk about art. Call Laurie at 457-2330 for info.
- Rails End Gallery - Members' Open Studio, every Thursday, 1-3 p.m. informal time to paint/draw & commune with fellow artists. Call 457-2330 for cost & info.
- Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Br. 129 - Every Wed. night is Bingo night. Early Bird at 7:00 p.m.
- Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636, holds its General Business Meeting on the first Wed. of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- The Haliburton Highland Twirlers - a modern square dancing group, meets every Wed. at 7:30 p.m. in the gym at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School. Call Bob Jackson, 457-2552.
- The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 489-3574, for information on meeting location.
- The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group meets the 3rd Tues. of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- The Minden Women's Institute - Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, now until June/08 at 1:30 p.m. Contact Pam 754-1656 or Mary 286-1158 for upcoming meeting location.

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office.
 Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
 NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands.



Jenn Watt/TIMES

Rawn Loughheed invites everyone to dress up in their most comfy pajamas to take part in the Bowl for Kids Sake in Minden on February 23.

Help kids strike it big

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton kicks off its 2008 Bowl For Kids Sake event by asking community members to stay in their PJ's for a day. The Bowl For Kids Sake campaign is the agency's largest and most important fundraiser of the year.

All funds raised through this event remain in our community to support the mentoring programs offered to children that will benefit from a relationship with a positive adult role model.

The theme for this year's event is Pajama Party. You can be a part of the party through your participation in Bowl For Kids Sake 2008 on February 23 in Minden. Individuals are asked to enjoy the day by coming to the event in their most

unique PJs. Best dressed teams and individuals will be rewarded with prizes at each time slot throughout the event. There are also many incentive prizes awarded based on the amount of pledges raised by each individual and team.

Pledging can be made easy for those that register online. The event is filling up fast so don't be disappointed, book your lane now. Interested teams should contact 286-2401 in Minden (Rawn Loughheed) to book their lane for the event.

There are more than 60 children waiting to be matched to a big brother or big sister at this time, so it is very important for this event to reach its goal to help support recruitment of volunteers for various mentoring programs.

Input still welcome on ball diamond

The public meeting seeking input on the Dorset Ball Diamond Rehabilitation Project on January 16 was very well attended. Lots of comment sheets were filled out and handed in. The committee is in the process of processing all the information. Thank you to all who attended and completed comment sheets. If you didn't have a chance to get to the meeting but would like to provide some input, contact the



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Melissa Alfano
 705-766-0076
 melalfano@hotmail.com

Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

The next Dorset Men's Breakfast will be held at the Dorset Seniors Club on Hwy 117 on Saturday, January 26 starting at 8:30 a.m. The cost for the breakfast is \$6. The speaker is Lake of Bays Mayor Janet Peake. For more information, contact Jim Schell at 766-2373.

In addition to the "Save Our Libraries" meeting hosted by the Algonquin Community Development Cooperative (ACDC) on Monday, January 14 at the Frost Centre, Haliburton County Council will be hosting two public meetings to provide information on the rationalization of closing library facilities within the

County of Haliburton (with either Dorset or Stanhope being on the list for closure).

The public meetings will be held on Tuesday January 29 at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre, 2249 Loop Road, Wilberforce and Wednesday January 30 in the auditorium at the Frost Centre Institute on Highway 35.

The format will be an open house from 6 to 7 p.m. and formal presentations from 7 to 9 p.m. Anyone interested in making a

presentation at either public meeting is asked to contact Tamara Wilbee, county clerk, no later than 4 p.m. January 25, 705-286-1333 or twilbee@county.haliburton.on.ca. All presenters are requested to provide the county with a copy of their presentation at the public meeting.

On behalf of the community of Dorset, the cooperative will be presenting at the January 30th meeting. Call 766-2170.

Birthday wishes for the week of January 20 to 26 go out to Samantha Black, Shirley Brown (Happy 80th Shirley!), Madison Allore, Darryl Dukoff and Happy Anniversary to Rick and Doris Nash. Celebrate and have fun!

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Volunteers who are interested in contributing to the Board should forward a letter, with a resume/CV, by January 31/08 to:

The Nominating Committee
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C/O Canoe Radio
Box 1125
Haliburton, ON L0M 1S0

If you have any questions, please call 457-9603 and leave a message for the Board Secretary.

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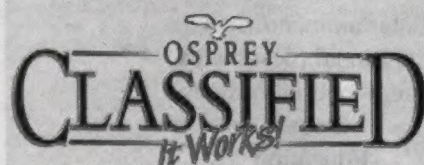
At his residence on Monday evening, January 14, 2008 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of the late Audrey Vick (nee Minaker). Loving father of Larry (Karen), Dale (Cathy), Wayne and Julie. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Sean (Denise), Stacey (Joe) Krista, Tyler, Meighan and his great grandchildren Samantha, William, Jack and Emma. Dear brother of Dorothy McElwain and Wilhelmine Thomson. Predeceased by his sister Mae Ralph. Also lovingly remembered by his many nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Wednesday evening, January 16, 2008 from 7-9 p.m. and on Thursday afternoon, January 17, 2008 at 1 o'clock. Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Rev. Faun Harriman officiating. Interment later Gelert Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Gelert Community Hall or Red Cross Community Health Service 364 Water Street, 2nd Floor Peterborough, Ontario K9H 3L6 would be appreciated by the family.

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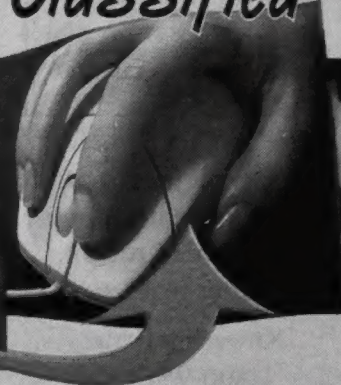
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Announcements

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The family of the late **Arnold Richardson** would like to thank our many friends and neighbours for the flowers, donations and cards sent during our time of bereavement. Thanks to Rev. Sharon Towne for her words of comfort and to the Anglican Church for providing lunch and refreshments. Thanks also to the staff of Monk Funeral Home for their help and support.

Thank You Cards

Thank You

We would like to thank all of our friends, neighbours and family who helped to make Toms' 65th birthday party a real surprise. Many thanks to all of you who had a hand in helping me prepare the food, decorate the hall, set up tables, and play terrific music. Also for the beautiful gifts, cards and best wishes that made this a special day for our family to remember always. God Bless.

With our love, Tom, Kay, John, Carrie, Jewels Marie and Kyle Gregory.

Deaths

BIBBY, Ann - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Ann Bibby on January 15th, 2008 at Caressant Care Nursing Home in Arthur. She was comforted by her family after a lengthy illness. She will be lovingly remembered by her daughters, Jane and Lynn; her son-in-laws, Kelly and Bryan; and her grandchildren Matt, Josh, Maggie and Mariah. It was Ann's specific wishes to have her body donated to science and no funeral or memorial service be held. In lieu of flowers, Ann requested a donation to the humane society of your choice be made.

In memoriam

In Loving Memory of Hazel Irvine (January 21 1907), Cleve Stamp (March 25, 1993), Jenny Cooper December 30, 1991 and Leon Stamp October 12, 1973.

How often, in moments of leisure,
your sweet loving smiles we recall,
To see them again would be pleasure,
But also it's a memory that's all.
- Always loved, never forgotten Glen
and Esther, Frank and Brenda, Bob
and Shirely, and Dennis

MISCIO, Annie - In loving memory of a mother who passed away in 1993.

Our thoughts are ever with you,
though you have gone away.
We who love you dearly,
are thinking of you today, as always.

- Lovingly remembered by Ruth, Carl,
and Iris and family.

MISCIO, Annie - In loving memory of a dear mother who passed away Jan. 27, 1993.

It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.

- Sadly missed & lovingly remembered
by daughter Gladys

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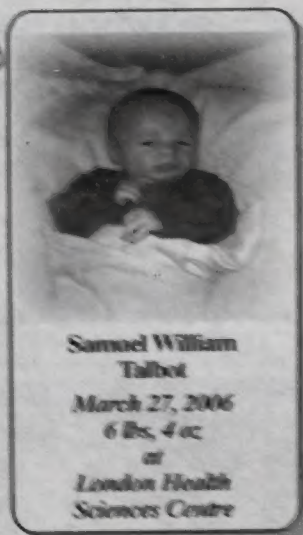
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SIMPSON, Glenda Orlee (nee Young) - Passed away at the Ross Memorial Hospital on Monday, January 14, 2008. At the age of 80.

Beloved wife and best friend of Clarke for 62 years. Dear mother of Lynda Shearer and her husband John, James and his wife Jeanne. Loving grandmother of Carole Jones (Jamie), David Lacey (Berniece) and great grandmother of Stephanie and Theresa. Sister of Ann Condor (Gord), sister-in-law to Rhoda Horton, Gladys Swayne, Glenna Young and predeceased by her sister Grace Kelso, and her brothers Robert (Bob) and Joseph (Joe) Young, her sisters-in-law Ruth Pilling, Zeta Byrne, Marjorie Young and her brothers-in-law Frank Horton, Dexter Pilling, Bill Swayne and Leo Byrne. She will be sadly missed by her many nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends.

Friends were invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Friday January 18, 2007 from 2-4 and 7-9 pm and on Saturday, January 19, 2008 from 12:00 pm until time of the funeral service in the chapel at 1:00 pm. Spring interment at the Kilmount Cemetery, Kilmount. Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #441, Kilmount. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund, the Diabetes Association or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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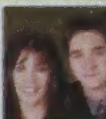
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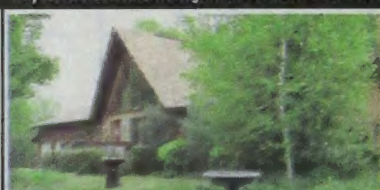
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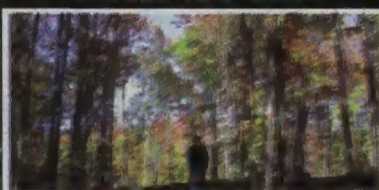
Gull River: A short distance up from Gull Lake. A delightful 3 bdrm. cottage, 4 pc. bath, w/o master, Canac kitchen, FP, airtight, main floor idry., new roof, freshly painted, level lot, hard sand w/shallow entry, completely winterized & 2 km to Minden.

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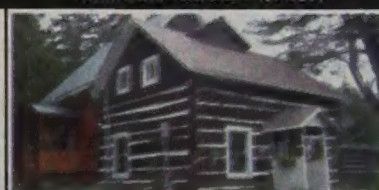
HALIBURTON - Estate-sized lot in a wooded setting, in the village of Haliburton. This generous 5.5 acre property offers spectacular hilltop views of both Grass & Head Lakes. Conveniently located close to Sir Sanford Fleming College and shopping areas, it features an extremely private building site, newly drilled well and excellent driveway.

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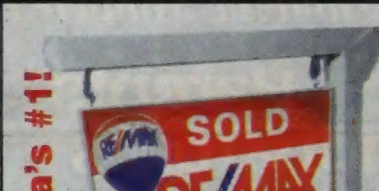
Gull River-Minden - This spacious 1,200 sq. ft. bungalow is situated on a level 100' waterfront lot with western exposure. From your dock boat into picturesque Gull Lake. Town water & sewers, newly ren'd bath, maintenance-free metal roof, detached garages, propane FP, heat pump & chair & much more. New price! Check out www.BillKulas.com for the virtual tour.

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Gull Lake

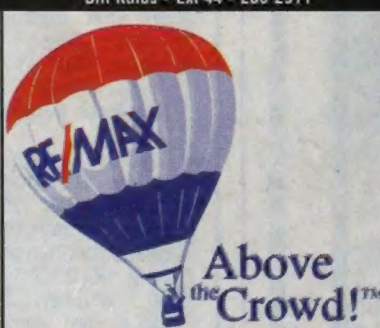
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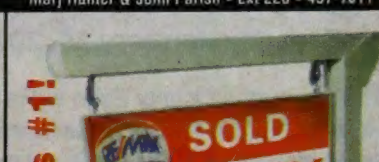
Minden Home - Charming 1.5 story home in popular McKayville. Features of this home include: 3 bdrms, extensive renovations including new kitchen & bathroom, hrdwd floors in living & dining rooms, sunroom, and a 2 car garage, all on a stunning lot!

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